GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REVIEW OF NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION
Vallabbhaneni Shri Balashowry

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the. Government has set up any review committee to review the recommendations of the National Police Commission and other Committees;

(b) if so, whether such committee has completed its review;

(c) if so, the details of the recommendations; and

(d) the action taken/being taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b), (c) & (d): The review committee submitted its report to the Government in March 2005. It made 49 recommendations regarding various facets of police reforms which, being mostly actionable by the States, were sent to them for implementation. Some of these recommendations include higher standards of recruitment to the force, rationalization of pay, working hours and promotional avenues, better working conditions in police stations, computerization of police stations, modernization of the police force, merger of women police with regular police and better gender ratio, compulsory training, upgradation of police training facilities, stability of tenure of officers, outsourcing of non-essential police duties, revival of village policing, free registration of crime, scientific investigation of crime, independent machinery for dealing with public complaints, etc. As part of Central Government initiatives on these reforms, a Committee of experts has been set up to draft a new Police Act to replace the police Act of 1861.